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DUMPING OF CHEAP CHEMICAL PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether dumping of cheap chemical products from foreign countries like China is a major reason for the deteriorating performance of the indigenous chemical sector industry;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the Government have activated anti-dumping mechanism to ensure check on cheap import by taking up the matter with the designated authorities in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) to (d) The Directorate General of Anti-Dumping & Allied Duties (DGAD) has received a large number of petitions alleging dumping of Chemical products into the country from various countries including China. On the basis of these petitions, the DGAD has so far initiated anti-dumping investigations into 69 cases pertaining to chemical products. The present status of these cases is given below :

1 Cases in which final findings have been issued	53
2 Cases in which preliminary findings have been brought out and further proceedings are in progress	7
3 Cases under investigation for preliminary findings	6
4 Cases initiated but closed	3
Total	69

The imposition of anti-dumping duty provides relief to the domestic industry by counteracting trade distortion caused by dumping and the consequential injury to the domestic industry. However, the imposition of Anti-dumping measures does not restrict imports from the subject countries.